The Northern Counties East Football League

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at **OSSETT ALBION FC**
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Kick-off : 7.30pm

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NORTH FERRIBY UNITED AFC

North Ferriby United were formed in 1934 when some of the best players in the area decided to form a team for the village. Ferriby first competed in the local East Riding Church League and in 1937/38 they won the Division 1 championship.

Post war re-formation saw them join the East Riding Amateur League and they were fairly successful during this period with the highlight being reaching the last qualifying round of the F.A. Amateur Cup in 1949/50.

In season 1969/70 Ferriby gained a more senior status when they joined the Yorkshire League Division 2 and the following season went on to win the championship and the East Riding Senior Cup. In 1972/7 North Ferriby had a good run in the F.A. Amateur Cup again reaching the last qualifying round before going out to Ashington from the Northern League after a replay and extra time.

In 1974/75 they won the Yorkshire League Cup beating Lincoln United 2-0 at the Victoria Pleasure Ground, Goole, and the following season they finished runners-up to Emley in Division one of the Yorkshire League.

1976/77, 1977/78 and 1978/79 saw Ferriby winning the East Riding Senior Cup firstly beating Hull City 2-1, then Hall Road Rangers 3-1 and then Maybury A.F.C. 4-0. In 1980/81 North Ferriby broke new ground when they reached the 3rd qualifying round of the F.A. Cup, losing away to Boston United of the Alliance Premier League.

In 1982/83 North Ferriby joined the newly formed NorUeern Counties East League Division One North and finished the season in the runners up spot. They were offered promotion to the Premier Division but were unable to accept as their ground and facilities were not up to the required standard. A fact which is very difficult to believe now!

Before the start of the 1985/86 season the demise and withdrawal of Retford Town from the league gave Ferriby a reprieve. They were about to start the new season in Division Two of the re-organised league but because of Retford's withdrawal North Ferriby took their place in Division One. By the new year they had secured the championship and promotion to the Premier Division. It was during that season that they had their first taste of success in the F.A. Vase when they reached the fourth round before losing 2-1 at Newcastle Blue Star.

In their first season in the Premier Division they finished in third position, unbeaten in the last thirteen games and unbeaten at home. The following season the club finished sixth in the league and reached the fifth round of the F.A. Vase, losing at home to Farsley Celtic by two goals to one watched by 520 spectators, at that time one of the biggest attendances Church Road had witnessed.

1988/89 was the highlight of the club's history when they progressed to the semi-final of the F.A. Vase, winning the away leg at Tamworth 2-1. They then confounded many by hosting the second leg at Church Road in impeccable fashion when over 1,800 spectators saw them bow out when just ten minutes away from a Wembley appearance. Despite this enormous disappointment they won seven and drew one of their last eight league games to finish fourth in the Premier Division.

By contrast, 1989/90 was a quiet season but last season was extremely successful. North Ferriby won the Inaugural President's Cup, beating F.A. Vase winners Guiseley 6-5 on aggregate over the two legged final, the East Riding Senior Cup for the first time since 1979 and were runners up in the League Cup losing 1-0 to Guiseley in the final. They also finished fourth in the Premier Division and their Reserves were Runners Up in the Floodlight Section of the Reserve Division.

Church Road is one of the most attractive grounds in the Northern Counties East League. The playing surface is always in superb condition and the ground is fully enclosed with hard standing all the way round and two covered stands and an attractive clubhouse. Floodlights were installed in 1989 and the ground is circled by trees and open fields. It is also overlooked by the village church steeple and is within sight of the longest suspension bridge in the world, the Humber Bridge.

MEET THE PLAYERS

Steve BRENTANO (defender) Started his career with United before being signed by Hull City. He then played for the Bridlington Town side that were runners-up in the FA Vase in 1991 and winners in 1992, Re-joined North Ferriby in the middle of last season and has just returned again after a short spell at Immingham Town.

Andy DRYDALE (forward) Another former Bridlington Town player who has also played wth Ossett Albion. Joined the club at the start of the 1993/94 season.

Dave ENGLAND (defender) Recent signing from Goole Town.

Steve FISHER (defender) A former Hull City junior who has recently signed from Goole Town.

Darren FRANCE (forward) Started at Bridlington Trinity before being full time in Belgium. Returned to play for Ferriby before being signed by Hull City. Moved from there to Doncaster Rovers and then Boston United before returning to the club at the start of this season.

Billy HEATH (defender) Club Captain. Joined at the start of last season from Hall Road Rangers after being released by Hull City.

Steve HEWITT (goalkeeper) Was a professional with Scarborough until a serious injury put him out of the game for a year. He has also played for Matlock Town and Goole Town and is now in his second spell with the club.

Chris HILL (goalkeeper) Played for Hull City Juniors before joining Brodsworth MW and then Brigg Town. Signed during last summer.

Bobby McNEILL (defender) Returned to the club last January after a long spell at Goole Town.

Shane MILNER (midfield) A former Hull City Junior who came to North Ferriby in 1990.

Darren PHILLIPS (midfield) Re-joined the club at the start of the season after playing for Goole Town last season. Previously with Winterton Rangers.

Mike SMITH (midfield) A recent transfer from Immingham Town. Played for Goole Town after being released by Hull City.

Mark TENNISON (forward) After playing for Bridlington Trinity he moved on to Guisely where he won FA Vase Winners and Runners-up medals. Joined North Ferriby at the start of the 1992/93 season.

Richard TWIGGER (defender) Versatile player who was previously with Bridlington Town and Goole Town.

Dave WALMSLEY (forward) Joined the club mid-season from Harrogate Town. Prior to that he was with Hull City and Goole Town.

Alan WARD (forward) Joined the club last season from Brigg Town. Previous clubs - Grantham Town and Lincoln United.

Tim HOTTE (forward) PLAYER/MANAGER Tim has had Football League experience with Arsenal, Huddersfield Town and Hull City and in his non-league days with Ferriby, Harrogate Town and Goole Town. Returned to United as player/manager last December.

TONIGHT'S REFEREE

Matt MESSIAS from Haxby, York, is head of PE at Thirsk School. He started refereeing in 1981 and is a Football League linesman. Has coached 'soccer' in the USA and also coaches athletics for North Yorkshire Schools. He has just undertaken a Football Assoc. honours appointment as linesman in the FA County Youth Cup Final at Burscough when Liverpool FA played Essex FA.

Stocksbridge Park Steels Football Club

A Brief History

The first club to be formed in Stocksbridge was The Foresters who played in the Hatchard League until 1902. They reached the League semi-final in 1900 but lost 3-4 to Kiveton Park in front of some 3,000 spectators. The match lasted 150 minutes including two lots of extra time and the winning goal was scored in the very last minute. In 1902, the Foresters joined the Sheffield Minor League where they remained until 1914. There is no record after this time.

Records of Stocksbridge Church F.C. date back as far as 1890 when they were members of the Sheffield Sunday School League. They then moved to the Sheffield Minor League and finally the Sheffield Amateur League. They won this League in consecutive seasons 1928/9 and 1929/30 but appeared to fold in 1932 and Stocksbridge Works Social Services took over their ground. The circumstances are not clear but several ex-Church players appear for the Works side the following season (1932/3).

Stocksbridge Works Social Services F.C. (The Works) were formed in 1908 and played in the Sheffield Amateur, Works and Drake Leagues before rejoining the Amateur League in 1932 where they remained until 1947 when they joined the stronger Sheffield Association League. After two years they gained membership of the Yorkshire League. The Works won the Yorkshire League title on no fewer than seven occasions in the 1950's, including four championships in succession, and were presented with a plaque to commemorate the feat by the League. They also won the Sheffield and Hallamshire F.A. Senior Cup in 1952 and reached the final on several other occasions. However, from the mid-1960's, the Club fell into something of a decline and major achievements were few and far between, some time being spent in the Yorkshire League's 3rd Division and also in the lower divisions of the Northern Counties (East) League after its formation.

Oxley Park Football Club was formed 1945, playing firstly in the local Penistone League before moving to the Friendlies League in 1953. They gained promotion through the divisions in six successive seasons before joining the stronger Sports and Athletic League where they gained promotions and the Premier Division Championship in record time. In 1970, the Park joined the Hatchard League and again gained promotion at the first attempt. However, several average seasons followed (by their standards anyway) until the league amalgamated with the County Senior League in 1983 and then promotion was gained three years in succession. The Club won many local and charity cups during this time.

Stocksbridge Park Steels Football Club was formed in 1986 when the above two senior clubs in the town amalgamated under the Chairmanship of Jim Shuttlewood. However, unlike the achievements of Oxley Park and The Works, there was no immediate success on the field. On the other hand, there was a great deal of activity behind the scenes. Many ground improvements have been made including the opening of a social club, the erection of floodlights in 1990 and refurbishment of the dressing rooms. Many more are planned. The ground hosted eight matches in the World Student Games tournament of 1991, a number of senior finals have been held as well as the annual F.A. XI v Combined Services match of 1992. But the successes we all wanted - on the field - still eluded us until 1990 when we were accepted into the F.A. Vase competition and then in 1991/2 season we gained promotion as champions of Division 1. We were accepted into the F.A. Cup in 1992/3 and the season finished with the Club defeating Northern Premier club Worksop Town to win the Sheffield and Hallamshire F.A. Senior Cup for the first time in 40 years. And then, of course, was the breath-taking finale to the 1993/4 season when Steels became Champions of the N.C.E.L. Premier Division.

MEET THE PLAYERS

Graham BAKER (goalkeeper) Graham is a product of the Club's youth team having made the transition from an outfield player. His appearances have been limited because of the consistency of Andy Carney over the season.

Mark BOTTOMLEY (defender) Mark is in his second spell with the club after having spells with Frickley Athletic and Burton Albion. Appearances have been limited due to injury.

Andy CARNEY (goalkeeper) A product of the Club's youth team. He made his way into the reserves before grabbing his chance with both hands becoming firmly established 2 seasons ago.

Craig CHADBURN (defender) In his 4th ason after previously playing for Belper Town, Ossett Albion, Denaby Utd., Parkgate & Sheffield. He has played for the County FA and captained the club to the First Div. Championship.

Simon DWYER (forward) After representing Sheffield Schools at most age groups he served as an apprentice at Sheffield Wed. Simon has since played with a number of clubs including Matlock Town and Gainsborough.

Ken GEELAN (defender) Joined mid-way through last season. Started at Sheffield United and has also been at Shepshed, Burton and, most recently, Buxton.

Richard HOLMSHAW (midfield/defender) Richard joined the club two seasons ago. Previously with Alfreton Town and Denaby Utd, he began at Wednesday with whom he won an Intermediate League Cup Winners medal, scoring at Old Trafford.

Simon HOWE (midfield/forward) Simon joined the club from junior football and has also appeared in Wednesday's Pontins League side. He is a strong running player and it is no surprise to learn that he represented Sheffield Schools at Athletics, Cross-country and Rugby.

David HUDSON (midfield) Employed as a lifeguard, David started his football career with Yorks. Water and has represented the County FA at u-19 level.

Trevor JONES (forward) Trevor joined from Aurora United and has also had spells with Frecheville CA, Heanor Town, Alfreton Town, Matlock Town and Sheffield.He was the 1st Div's leading scorer in Steel's promotion year. Trevor captained the side to the Prem. Div. Championship.

Steve MYLES (defender) Experienced player and a member of Sheffield United's coaching staff.

Steve SHUTT (midfield) Steve gained League experience whilst at Barnsley and Scunthorpe before moving on to Matlock Town, Buxton and Goole Town where he was a member of the side which won the West Riding County and NPL Cups.

Andy SHAW (forward) No prizes for guessing 'Ernie's' job! Previous club - Gainsborough Trinity.

Darren SPOONER (forward) Joined after a successful spell at Sheffield FC. His other hobby is golf.

Mick STEWART (midfield) Experienced and determined player, he joined the club early last season from Maltby MW.

Ian SWALLOW (midfield) Joined from Elsecar. His other love is cricket which he played for Yorkshire & Somerset and which he still plays at a good level.

Jason SWANN (midfield/forward) Fast and strong-running player. Previous clubs - Sheffield and Glossop NE.

Paul SYKES (defender) With the club for 4 seasons after playing for Gainsborough, Denaby and Spalding (Prem Div. champions medal) and Armthorpe W.

Andy TIBBENHAM (forward) Currently on a teacher training course, he represented Sheffield Schools before joining Exeter City. He has also played at Denaby.

MANAGER: MICHAEL HORNE ASSISTANT MANAGER: TREVOR GOUGH

NORTHERN COUNTIES EAST FL (League tables incl. 29.4.95)

Premier Division	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
LINCOLN UNITED	37	28	5	4	114	49	89
ARNOLD TOWN	37	25	7	5	98	43	82
STOCKSBRIDGE PS	**38**	**21**	**6**	**11**	**74**	**46**	**69**
ASHFIELD UNITED	37	18	10	9	64	47	64
PICKERING TOWN	37	19	6	12	87	61	63
NORTH FERRIBY UTD	**36**	**17**	**8**	**11**	**65**	**55**	**59**
BELPER TOWN	35	17	7	11	69	43	58
ARMTHORPE WELFARE	38	13	18	7	56	41	57
THACKLEY	37	15	10	12	74	54	55
BRIGG TOWN	37	14	9	14	48	56	51
OSSETT ALBION	37	14	9	14	47	57	51
MALTBY MW	37	13	7	17	59	68	46
OSSETT TOWN	37	12	9	16	49	55	45
DENABY UNITED	36	11	8	17	45	75	41
GLASSHOUGHTON WELF.	37	10	9	18	58	65	39
HUCKNALL TOWN	36	9	12	15	46	56	39
SHEFFIELD	36	6	12	18	44	83	30
LIVERSEDGE	38	7	8	23	48	81	29
HALLAM	36	7	8	21	40	74	29
PONTEFRACT COLLS.	37	3	10	24	30	106	19

Division 1							
HATFIELD MAIN	30	25	2	3	88	32	77
WORSBROUGH BRIDGE MW	30	19	4	7	66	40	61
IMMINGHAM TOWN	30	18	4	8	66	43	58
SELBY TOWN	30	16	9	5	62	38	57
YORKSHIRE AMAT.	30	15	8	7	53	29	53
HALL ROAD RANGERS	30	15	7	8	57	44	52
HARROGATE RAILWAY	30	16	4	10	64	52	52
ECCLESHILL UNITED	30	13	5	12	62	47	44
GARFORTH TOWN	30	11	8	11	58	49	41
LOUTH UNITED	30	9	8	13	39	50	35
ROSSINGTON MAIN	30	9	7	14	48	63	34
TADCASTER ALBION	30	6	8	16	36	59	26
BLIDWORTH WELFARE	30	7	5	18	39	63	26
WINTERTON RANGERS	30	7	3	20	44	72	24
PARKGATE (-2PTS)	30	5	5	20	47	84	18
BRODSWORTH MW	30	2	7	21	15	79	13

HOW THEY REACHED THE FINAL

NORTH FERRIBY UNITED

ROUND 2	Maltby MW	1	**North Ferriby Utd** (Twigger, McKenzie, Tonge, Tennison)	4
ROUND 3	**North Ferriby Utd** (Heath, Hotte, France)	3	Hallam	2
ROUND 4	Ossett Town	0	**North Ferriby Utd** (Fisher)	1
SEMI-FINAL	**North Ferriby Utd** (France 2, Phillips Ward, Tennison)	5	Arnold Town	3

STOCKSBRIDGE PS

ROUND 2	**Stocksbridge PS** (Howe 2, Nasim, Myles, Jones, Stewart, OG)	7	Rossington Main	1
ROUND 3	**Stocksbridge PS** (Jones 2, Stewart)	3	Eccleshill Utd	1
ROUND 4	Worsbrough Bdge MW	0	**Stocksbridge PS** (Dwyer)	1
SEMI-FINAL	Belper Town	0	**Stocksbridge PS** (Geelan, Jones)	2

RECENT LEAGUE CUP WINNERS

1988/89	Bridlington Town	1991/92	North Shields
1989/90	Ossett Town	1992/93	Spennymoor Utd
1990/91	Guiseley	1993/94	Hucknall Town

TEAM CHECK

NORTH FERRIBY UNITED		STOCKSBRIDGE PS
All Green		Yellow/Blue/Yellow
Chris **HILL**	1	Andy **CARNEY**
Billy **HEATH**	2	Paul **SYKES**
Richard **TWIGGER**	3	Steve **MYLES**
Steve **FISHER**	4	Ian **SWALLOW**
Dave **ENGLAND**	5	Kenny **GEELAN**
Darren **PHILLIPS**	6	Craig **CHADBURN**
Tim **HOTTE**	7	Steve **SHUTT**
Mike **SMITH**	8	Andy **TIBBENHAM**
Darren **FRANCE**	9	Jason **SWANN**
Dave **WALMSLEY**	10	Simon **DWYER**
Mark **TENNISON**	11	Trevor **JONES**
Alan **WARD**	12	Michael **STEWART**
Andy **DRYDALE**	14	Simon **HOWE**
	GK	Graham **BAKER**
REFEREE:	M MESSIAS	(York)
LINESMEN:	R EVANS	(Sheffield)
	G ROWE	(Wombwell)
RES. OFFICIAL:	W EVANS	(Staveley)

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